GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Annamayya District - Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, erstwhile Chittoor District (Retd) - Dereliction of duties - Disciplinary proceedings instituted under rule 20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Article of charges issued - Inquiry officer appointed - Report submitted - to impose a penalty of "10% cut in monthly pension for five (5) years" against him - Orders - Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.73 **Dated:20.01.2023**

Read the following:

1. Procdgs in Roc A1/5862/2012, Dt:08.04.2013 of the Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor.
2. Procdgs in Roc A1/5862/2012, Dt:17.11.2017 of the Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor.
3. Inquiry report dt:28.11.2020 of District Revenue Officer, Chittoor.
4. From the CCLA, Letter.No.Vigilanc/VS.II(1)/719-2020-1, Dt:15.05.2021.
5. Govt.Memo.No.LANA0CCLV(DISC)/50/2021-Vig.III(2), Dt:25.06.2021
6. Explanation dt:09.09.2021 of Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, Chittoor District.
7. Govt.Memo.No.LANA0CCLV(DISC)/50/2021-Vig.III(2), Dt:14.02.2022.
8. Explanation Dt:17.03.2022 of Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsilldar (Retd).
9. Letter.No.LANA0CCLV (DISC)/50/2021-Vig.III(2)-2, Dt:13.06.2022.
10. From the Secretary (FAC), APPSC, Letter.No.GAD03-APPSC0DCC/45/2022-DC SEC- APPSC, Comp.No.1770057, Dt:18.07.2022.
11. Govt.Memo.No -LANA0CCLV(DISC)/50/2021-Vig.III(2)-3, Dt:27.12.2022.
12. Explanation dt:06.01.2023 of Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram (M), erstwhile Chittoor District

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ORDER:

It was brought to the notice of the Government that in the reference 1st read above disciplinary action has been instituted against Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsildar (now retired on 31.1.2020) on issue of House site Pattas to the ineligible persons under Indiramma Housing Scheme while working as Tahsildar, Valmikipuram and the charged officer has submitted his written explanation denying the charges. In the reference 2nd read above, the District Collector, Chittoor has appointed the DRO as Inquiry officer to enquire into the charges against Charged officer. In the reference 3rd read above the enquiry officer has reported that the charges are held proved. As the charged officer retired from service on 31.1.2020, in the reference 4th read above, the CCLA has requested the Government to take further action under Rule 9(2) of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as Government is alone competent authority.

2. After careful examination of the enquiry officer report, Government have accepted the findings of the enquiry officer and a copy of the Inquiry report was communicated to the CO Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, Chittoor District under Rule 21 (2) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 to submit his further explanation on the findings of the Inquiry officer, vide reference 5th read above.

3. In the reference 6th read above, the Charged Officer Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsildar (Retd) has submitted his explanation reiterating his earlier contentions and also stated that the persons who were get the house site pattas as alleged in the Charges, are Mandal Level News contributors, and more over they were already granted WHITE Ration cards by his predecessors, hence the allegations that the house sites were granted for ineligible persons is not based on facts but only on an baseless allegations and the said persons were granted house sites beside the lay out meant for Indiramma Housing Program, but not in the Indiramma Housing lay out. Therefore, the Charged Officer Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsildar (Retd) has requested the Government to drop the further action against him.

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4. After careful examination of the matter, Govt have provisionally decided to impose "a penalty of 5% cut in his monthly person for a period of 3 years" against Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, Chittoor District (Retd). Accordingly, a Show cause notice has been issued as to why the proposed penalty should not be imposed against him, vide reference 7th read above. Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsildar (Retd) has submitted his explanation dt:17.03.2022 reiterating his earlier contentions and requested to drop the further action in this matter. After examining the explanation of Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, Chittoor District (Retd), Government vide reference 9th read above have sent the necessary proposals to the Secretary, APPSC with a request to obtain the concurrence of the Commission and furnish the same to the Government for taking further necessary action in this matter.

5. In the reference 10th read above, the Secretary, APPSC has informed that after careful examination of the matter in the light of records made available, the commission proposed to enhance the punishment to "10% cut in monthly pension for a period of five (5) years" and advised accordingly.

6. After considering the advice of the A.P.P.S.C and obtaining the orders of the competent authority under the A.P.Secretariat Business Rules, it is provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "10% cut in pension for a period of five (5) years" against Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, erstwhile Chittoor District, in terms of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, vide reference 11th read above, a revised show Cause notice has been issued to Sri T.Ugandhar , Tahsildar (Retd) as to why the proposed penalty should not be imposed against him. In reply, Sri T.Ugandhar, Tahsildar (Retd) has submitted his explanation dt:06.01.2023, reiterating his earlier explanation, has requested to drop the proceedings of penalty with kind heart and do natural justice to him.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided and hereby impose a penalty of "10% cut in pension for a period of five (5) years" against Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, erstwhile Chittoor District, in terms of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 in this matter.

8. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri shall take necessary further action in this matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G. SAI PRASAD
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri T.Ugandhar, formerly Tahsildar, Valmikipuram, Annamayya District (erstwhile Chittor District) (Retd) **through** the District Collector, Annamayya District.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Annamayya District, Rayachity.

Copy to:-
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P, Mangalagiri.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Chittoor.
The Accountant General, Vijayawada,
Sf/Sc.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER